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At Page 1, please add the following paragraph after the heading "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS":

This application claims the benefit of Japanese Application No. 2002-218473 filed July 26, 2002.

At Page 8, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 4 and ending at line 6 and replace with the following paragraph:

The server 104 comprises a CPU 261 for controlling the entire apparatus, a RAM 262 storing a boot program, a ROM 263 that serves as a main storage device, and the following components.

At Page 14, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 25 and ending on Page 15, at line 5 and replace with the following paragraph:

The server receives the transmitted data at Step S1051, and executes error correction on the raw data at Step S1052. Next, at Step S1053, image reconstruction processing is executed based on the raw data corrected at Step S1052 to produce an X-ray tomographic image; and moreover, a billing charge is calculated at Step S1054. Then, at Step S1055, the data of the X-ray tomographic image and the data of the billing charge are transmitted to the operation console. At step S1005, the data of the X-ray tomographic image and the data of the billing charge are received at the operation console, and at Step S1006, the window shown in Figure 9 is displayed on the CRT 56, and the X-ray tomographic image is also displayed as necessary. Moreover, the received X-ray tomographic image may be saved on the HDD 54 at Step S1006.

At Page 15, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 16 and ending at line 18 and replace with the following paragraph: